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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Arindam DATTA et al. Confirmation No.: 9031
Serial No.: 10/749,742 Art Unit: 3762
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Title: RETICULATED ELASTOMERIC MATRICES, THEIR MANUFACTURE AND USE IN IMPLANTABLE DEVICES Attorney Docket No: 11300-003-999 (CAM NO.: 803525-999002)

SECOND STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully requests to be advised as to the status of the above-identified application. The application was filed on December 30, 2003. A Status Inquiry was sent to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 28, 2005. To date, no Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or response to the June 28, 2005 Status Inquiry has been received for this application.

As of today, the public PAIR system indicates the status of the above-identified application as: "Application Dispatched from Preexam, Not Yet Docketed."

Since the application was filed more than two years ago, the Patent and Trademark Office is requested promptly to indicate to Attorneys for Applicants when an Examiner will be assigned to the above-identified application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 326-3875. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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